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In response to the Office Action dated March 23, 2005, applicant provisionally elects the claims of Group II (claim nos. 15 to 31), with traverse. While the device of Group I and the method of Group II may be distinct for the reasons set forth by the Examiner, applicant believes that simultaneous examination will not present an undue burden. The two Groups of claims include subject matters that are classified commonly in class 438.

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Early and favorable consideration of this application are earnestly solicited.

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